Particulars regarding the resolutions sent up by the non-official Members.

414. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) on what dates the resolutions received from the first meeting of this session of the Council were admitted by the President, and what were they;

(b) whether the resolutions were submitted to the Government before or after admitting them by the President;

(c) the dates on which the resolutions were submitted to the Government, and what were the resolutions so submitted;

(d) under what section of the Council Regulation, Rules and Standing Orders they were submitted to the Government;

(e) what were the resolutions ballotted for the last meeting of the Council?

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—(a), (b) and (c). As soon as the resolutions are received by the Council Secretary, they are submitted to the President by him. Such of the resolutions as are admitted by the President are, by direction, sent to the Huzur Secretariat with a view to collect necessary materials through the appropriate departments for facilitating their discussion in the Council. The collection and enumeration of dates and of resolutions so dealt with for the period required entail an amount of labour which the Government think is incommensurate with their utility.

(d) There is no particular section under which this is done.

(e) Of the resolutions that were in the agenda papers of the last meeting, only four were of the prior meeting and all the rest were ballotted for the last meeting.

The privilege given to non-official Members of corresponding under the 'Service unpaid' system.

415. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state.

whether the Government are aware of the permission given to the non-official Members of the Legislative Council in Madras Presidency (see page 99, Vol. II of *the Madras Legislative Council Manual* 1922 edition) to send under the 'service unpaid' system all letters, post cards and packets addressed by them to the officers of the Government and relating to the affairs of the Government?

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—Government are aware of it and also of the fact that the concession has since been withdrawn by the Madras Government.

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